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REMARKS

In the present Office Action, claims 1-10 were examined. Claims 1, and 3-7 are rejected, claim 2 is objected to, and claims 8-10 are allowed.

By this Amendment, claims 2-7 have been amended and claim 1 has been canceled. Accordingly, claims 2-10 are presented for further examination. No new matter has been added. By this Amendment, claims 2-10 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

At the outset, Applicant acknowledges with thanks the Examiner's indication that claim 2 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 2 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant submits claim 2 and dependent claims 3-7, should now be in condition for allowance. Claim 1 is cancelled herein.

Claim Rejections Under 35 USC §102

Claims 1, 3, 4 and 6-7 were rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,622,342 to Annes, et al. Claim 1 is canceled herein. Additionally, claims 3, 4, and 6-7 have been amended to depend from allowable claim 2. Accordingly, the present rejection has been overcome. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraw the current rejection.

Claim Rejections Under 35 USC §103

Claim 5 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(1) as being unpatentable over Annes, et al. As Claim 5 has been amended to depend from allowable claim 2, Applicant submits the present rejection has been overcome. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraw the present rejection.

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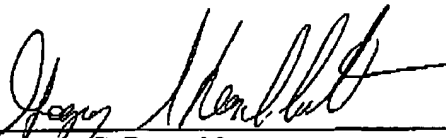
Accordingly, Applicant submits that none of the references, alone or in combination, anticipate or make obvious the invention as presently claimed and that the application is now in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and further examination of the application and the Examiner is respectfully requested to take such proper actions so that a patent will issue herefrom as soon as possible.

If the Examiner has any questions or believes that a discussion with Applicant's attorney would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

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